



Jack Venekamp

Jack Venekamp, 88, Spearfish, passed away Friday, December 19, 2014, at the Fort Meade VA Medical Center.

Jack was born September 21, 1926, to John & Ethel Venekamp in Presho, SD. Jack attended country school and graduated from Ames, Iowa, as a diesel mechanic. He served as a

Fireman First Class in the United States Navy during WWII from June 6, 1944 in the Pacific Theater aboard the USS LST 881 and the USS LST 775 until his honorable discharge July 5, 1946.

On June 27, 1948, he married his wife, Doris Cross. They celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary in 2014.

Jack was an all-around carpenter. He enjoyed gardening, fishing, playing cards, and his grandchildren.

Jack is survived by his loving wife, Doris; sons, David (Cathy) Venekamp and Micheal Venekamp; daughters, Glenna Sprague, Lorraine Venekamp, and Robin Sandor; 13 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; brother, Herman (Beverly) Venekamp; and sister, Esther (Gene) Gerard.

Jack is preceded in death by his parents, John and Ethel Venekamp; brothers, Willis, Roger, and Robert Venekamp; and sisters, Ann Meyers and Dorothy Walters.

A memorial has been established to Hospice of the Northern Hills in Spearfish. Donations may be sent to them at 1440 N. Main Street, Spearfish, SD 57783.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch
at the Sturgis Vet's Club following the committal service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*

In Loving Memory Of



Jack Venekamp

1926 ~ 2014



Go Rest High On That Mountain
By Vince Gill

I know your life on earth was troubled
And only you could know the pain
You weren't afraid to face the devil
You were no stranger to the rain

Go rest high on that mountain
Son your work on earth is done
Go to heaven a shoutin'
Love for the Father and the Son

Oh, how we cried the day you left us
We gathered round your grave to grieve
Wish I could see the angels' faces
When they hear your sweet voice sing

So go rest high on that mountain
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Funeral Service
Tuesday, December 23, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel

Officiating
Pastor Jenene Earl

Eulogy
Kurt Venekamp

Soloist
Danny Chapman

Musical Selections
"The Old Rugged Cross"
"Amazing Grace"
"Go Rest High On That Mountain"

Pallbearers
Joshua Scheller ~ Keith Venekamp ~ J.R. Venekamp
Adam Ellis ~ Ernie Sprague ~ Jake Sprague

Honorary Pallbearers
Noble Brakke ~ Neal Brakke ~ Gene Gerard
Terry Williams ~ Scott Williams ~ Russell Williams
Willis Venekamp ~ Herman Venekamp

Military Honors
Sturgis Veterans Honor Guard

Final Roll Call
Technical Sergeant Jordan Scheller

Interment
Black Hills National Cemetery